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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Chiharu KUMAKI
COMMERCIAL SETTLEMENT SYSTEM WITH PREPAID TYPE CREDIT CARD
Assignee: CHIHARU KUMAKI
Our Ref. Q64397

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including fifteen (15) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is the Small Entity Declaration.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	40	-	20	=	20	x	\$9.00	=	\$180.00
Independent claims	5	-	3	=	2	x	\$40.00	=	\$80.00
Base Fee									\$355.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee									\$135.00
TOTAL FEE									\$750.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$750.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from July 25, 2000, and April 26, 2001, based on Japanese Application Nos. 2000-224232(patent), and 2001-129108(patent), respectively. The priority documents are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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